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### DETAILED ACTION

The Office Action filed on November 30, 2006 is vacated because it was directed to another action and an attempt will be made to remove it from its association with this application.

#### *Election/Restrictions*

Restriction is required under 35 U.S.C.121 and 372.

This application contains the following inventions or groups of inventions which are not so linked as to form a single general inventive concept under PCT Rule 13.1.

In accordance with 37 CFR 1.4999, applicant is required, in response to this action, to elect a single invention to which the claims must be restricted.

Group I, claims 1-4, drawn to a composition comprising of cyclodextrin.

Group II, claims 5-8, drawn to a growth medium comprising at least one charged cyclodextrin.

Group III, claims 9-12, drawn to method of growing plant cell or tissue cultures comprising contacting plant cell or tissue cultures of *Taxus* with a growth medium containing at least one charged cyclodextrin.

Group IV, claims 13-16, drawn to a method of isolating hydrophobic compounds produced from plant cell or tissues growing in cyclodextrin containing media.

Group V, claims 17-19, drawn to a composition comprising of a salt of a cationic cyclodextrin of a plant nutrient.

Group VI, claims 20-21, drawn to a composition of matter comprising of a dipotassium salt of cyclodextrin-6-bisphosphate.

The inventions listed as Groups I-VI do not relate to a single general inventive concept under PCT Rule 13.1 because, under PCT Rule 13.2, they lack the same or corresponding special technical features for the following reasons:

The technical feature linking the groups is a charged cyclodextrin.

Tarelli et al (Carbohydrate Research 302 (1997) 27-34) teach potassium salts of  $\beta$ -Cyclodextrin monophosphate have been synthesized (Table 2).

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Therefore, the technical feature linking Groups I-VI is not special over the prior art, and the Groups are not so linked under PCT Rule 13.1.

Applicant is reminded that a determination regarding unity of invention is made without regard to whether a group of invention is claimed in separate claims or as alternatives within a single claim (MPEP 1893.03(d), last paragraph).

Applicant is advised that the reply to this requirement to be complete must include an election of the invention to be examined even though the requirement be traversed (37 CFR 1.143).

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